

HOW LONG CAN THE PINEAPPLE GROWER OF HAWAII STAND SELLING PRODUCT BELOW PRODUCTION COST?

(A true story with a vital query.)

A thousand or more tons of pineapples are involved in this story, but to make the story simple and easily understood we will take a ton as the unit. What happened to this ton, which represents the average, is what the story is about.

Some time around the glorious fifth day of July, 1912, the progenitors of our ton of "pines" sat complacently in the form of "crowns" on a select lot of about 500 fruits picked for canning purposes. After the removal of these crowns, or tops as they are usually termed, the fruits sold for \$20. So far as we are concerned here ends our interest in that particular lot of pineapples, excepting that they were choice fruit and well worth every cent they sold for. And now begins the vital part of the story of our ton of pineapples.

In due course of time the 500 odd stoved crowns were purchased for \$2.50 for planting purposes, and the price was gladly paid. They were then hauled to their destination at a cost of 50 cents. A twentieth acre was set aside for their permanent abode. This land was cleared at a cost of \$2. It was government land appraised at \$20 per acre in the wild state, unaccessible to roads, without water, and without demonstration of any useful purpose, except, perhaps, that under the circumstances, one might conclude with reasonable certainty that any small farm enterprise must fail.

On the appraised valuation the government charged 8 per cent as rental, with the privilege of purchase at the expiration of three years, provided "the lessee shall reside thereon two out of three years, reduce to cultivation one-fourth the total area allotted, and plant and keep in good growing condition a definite number of forest or fruit trees." All of which are good and reasonable requirements.



In the Pineapple Fields of Hawaii.

At a very low estimate, the rental, interest, taxes, cost of road building, living expenses, etc., would bring the overhead charge on the production of our ton of pineapples up to at least \$4. It cost another dollar to clear the land of brush, a dollar to plow and harrow the land adequately. To set out the plants costs another dollar, and another dollar to keep them free from weeds and insect pests for the two years required to maturity. To pick the fruit and deliver them to the cannery costs another dollar.

Thus has the ton of pines cost the producer \$14 in the first crop. This is

on the basis of 20 tons fruit per acre—the maximum yield. Under favorable conditions the second crop will cost one-third less to produce, because the first cost of clearing the land, plowing, plants, etc., are paid for; on the other hand, the land is being depleted of its fertility at a rate that is much greater than is compensated by the lower cost of producing the second-crop. The pinch is not felt till after the fourth or fifth year when the crop is replanted; nevertheless, it is inevitable under present methods of culture.

But to return to the essential part

of our story: this ton of pineapples cost \$14 to produce. It was well and economically grown. It was choice fruit. They were grown on virgin soil and tended with care and interest by intelligent men. These men and their wives and children have deprived themselves of many advantages and comforts to build independent homes in the country. They intend keeping at it so long as their strength and courage last. How long will they be able to hold out when the selling price of the product it cost them \$14 to grow sells for \$11.25?

F. G. K.

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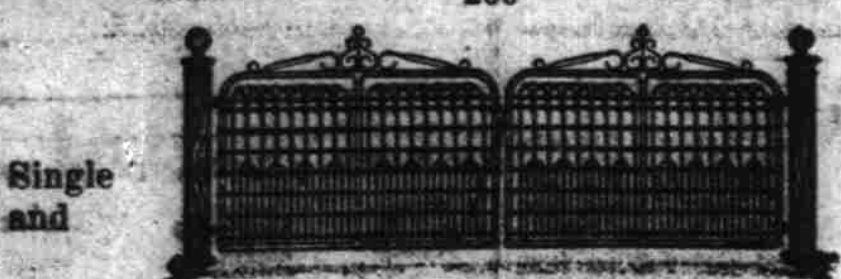
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M'CARN TRIAL WILL CONTINUE MONDAY MORNING

No hearing in the trial of Jeff McCarn took place today in Judge Whitney's court. When court convenes at 9 o'clock next Monday morning the judge will be called upon to rule whether the defense can introduce proof tending to show McCarn's reputation for "truth and veracity."

Attorney Lightfoot began yesterday to read into the records a bundle of forty-four affidavits, collected in the East by McCarn, all bearing on the defendant's reputation and general standing in Tennessee and elsewhere. In the course of the first sworn statement reference was made to McCarn's reputation for truth and veracity, and County Attorney Cathcart raised objection to this on the ground that the defense has no question concerning McCarn's veracity. Until his reputation for truthfulness is attacked, urged Cathcart, the defense is estopped from producing proof on the point.

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COLLEGE WOMEN LEAD MEN IN SCHOLARSHIP

(By Latest Mail)
STANFORD, Cal.—Scholarship honors at Stanford go to the women students, says the university registrar in a statistical comparison for the last year, given out here. Next come non-fraternity men who avoided athletics. Of the athletes, the heroes of the

EVENTS LEADING TO DAMAGE SUIT BY MRS. GEAR

(By Latest Mail)
SAN FRANCISCO—Mrs. Mildred D. Gear, widow of the late Judge Gear of Honolulu and later divorced from George S. McKenzie, a realty broker and mining man, has filed suit in the superior court against John L. Chaddock, manager of the San Joaquin Valley Sugar Company, to recover \$10,000 damages for alleged malicious prosecution.

Mrs. Gear was arrested on September 11 last on complaint of Chaddock, who charged her with having obtained from him an automobile by misrepresentation and fraud. She was released on \$1,000 bail and when the case was called for hearing in the police court next day was acquitted. Chaddock said that he had advertised an automobile for sale or exchange for real property. Mrs. Gear answered this advertisement, and, representing that she had some Geary street property, an exchange was arranged. He said he turned the automobile over to her, but when he demanded a contract for the property she gave him no satisfaction and refused to return the automobile.

Mrs. Gear is a friend of Prince Cupid and Princess Kalaniana'ole of Honolulu. She has traveled extensively and about a year ago returned from Manila, saying she expected to marry Major William Tutherly, a former sweetheart.

cinder path rank foremost in the classroom.

The average scholarship of the women is \$2.6 per cent, and that of the men 74 per cent. The athletes, as a whole, rate 76.3 in scholarship.

at Woodliff Lake, N. J., was held up and shot in the back by three armed men near Ridgewood.

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